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OFFICERS, MEMBERS

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

NINETEENTH CENTURY CLUB, *New York*

AND A

LIST OF THE LECTURES AND DISCUSSIONS
BEFORE THE CLUB SINCE ITS
FORMATION.

1897

MOTTO:

"Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."

PRESIDENTS OF THE CLUB.

COURTLANDT PALMER,	-	-	-	-	1883-1888
DANIEL GREENLEAF THOMPSON,	-	-	-	-	1888-1890
BRANDER MATTHEWS,	-	-	-	-	1890-1892
HORACE E. DEMING,	-	-	-	-	1892-1894
WALTER H. PAGE,	-	-	-	-	1894-1895
JOHN A. TAYLOR,	-	-	-	-	1895—

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

I have the honor to submit the following report for the season of 1896-97.

The Nineteenth Century Club now possesses one hundred and seventy-three resident and non-resident members ; also nineteen honorary members.

Since November 1st, thirteen resignations have been accepted ; six members have been dropped for non-payment of dues ; and an additional vacancy has been created by the death of one member.

During the winter months nineteen members were elected. The fifteenth season has thus far progressed successfully, the different committees deserving praise for their faithful and unremitting labors in behalf of the Club's interests. A special word of commendation is due the House Committee, whose reform measures—introduced two seasons ago—have been energetically enforced, with results which should receive general recognition as having materially contributed to the comfort of those attending the meetings. The Lecture Committee has lifted its heavy burden of responsibility with apparent ease ; but the initiated can vouch for the complex conditions which often arise at the eleventh hour, presenting difficulties of an almost hopeless

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character, with which the Committee must contend as best it may, in order that the programme announced—or a fitting substitute—may be carried through with success. The opening meeting—held at Sherry's on the evening of November 12th—brought forward two interesting speakers, Mrs. Helen Campbell and Mrs. Frances Fisher Wood, to discuss the question : “Is Domestic Life in American Cities Disappearing ; and If So, Why?”

The second meeting, occurring on the evening of December 10th, was set apart for the address of a distinguished English actor, Mr. Herbert Beerbohm Tree. In spite of the anxious forebodings of a few conservative spirits, forebodings voiced in predictions that the inevitably late hour of the meeting (Mr. Tree's assistance was only available after 11 P. M.) would prevent the majority of the members from attending, the hall was crowded beyond the limits of its seating capacity, and Mr. Tree's discourse on “Hamlet from an Actor's Prompt Book,” and the subsequent discussion, in which Mr. Gilbert Parker and Mr. William Gillette took part, were listened to in appreciative and responsive mood, and with evident enjoyment.

A timely debate on “The Cuban Question,” with General Daniel E. Sickles, Father Ducey, and William E. Rogers, Esq., to present views as to the different phases of the situation, filled the evening of January 13th, when the club met for the third time.

The fourth meeting, on February 10th, was made notable by Mr. John Graham Brooks's address, Prof. Franklin H. Giddings entering into the discussion of his subject : “What is Culpable Luxury?”

With this debate, which may be regarded as the high-water mark in the series of meetings now in course of progress, we must bring our record of the public evenings to a close.

The Club has really outgrown its conversational evenings ; and the difficulty in obtaining a private residence of sufficiently ample dimensions to accommodate the members who attend these attractive entertainments presents a serious obstacle in the way of their being continued. It is to be hoped that the matter may receive serious consideration at the next business meeting, and that means will be devised to prevent the hospitality of those who lend their houses and furnish entertainment for the Club members from being over-taxed.

The first of these private evenings was held at the residence of the Hon. Oscar S. Straus, on December 1st, one of the original members of the Club, Mr. James B. Townsend, reading a paper which dealt with the question: "Have Our Changing Social Conditions Benefited the Community?" an informal discussion by the Club members being substituted for the usual prearranged debate.

The Committee was especially fortunate in securing Prof. W. Hall Griffin as speaker for the conversational meeting which took place on the evening of January 22d, at the residence of Mrs. F. T. Van Buren; his lecture proving peculiarly instructive, and his collection of pictures being unique.

Prof. Griffin spent but two weeks in this country, and came with a letter of introduction to our president, Mr. John A. Taylor, from

one who has always, even in absence, preserved his active interest in the Nineteenth Century Club, Mr. Moncure D. Conway.

Prof. Griffin offered the results of years of patient research in tracing the formation of Robert Browning's great dramatic poem, "The Ring and the Book;" the stereopticon views accompanying the address fully illustrating the analysis of the work by supplying, as it were, a most interesting and beautiful series of connecting links.

The memorial notices which are appended were read at the last business meeting. They serve to prove the Club's sense of the irreparable loss sustained in the deaths of these valued officers, and are the tributes of those who stood in close relation to this very remarkable group of women, whose personal traits, influence and unbounded faith as to the possibilities of our organization proved potent factors in its development.

LUCIA PURDY,
Secretary.

MRS. YOUMANS.

Katherine L. Youmans, widow of Edward L. Youmans, died at her summer home in Ridgefield, Conn., on the 29th day of August. 1894.

Wise, modest, gentle, forceful, to no one except its founder has the Nineteenth Century Club owed more, and to few has it owed so much, A member of the Club from its origin and active on its Governing Committee, her untiring zeal, unfailing tact, engaging and persuasive manner, and wide acquaintance, were always at the Club's service, combined with an enthusiasm for its welfare which never flagged. In her death we mourn the loss of one to whose sound judgment and devoted loyalty have been due in large measure the continued existence of the Club and the successful maintenance of its high standard.

JANUARY 3, 1896.

MY DEAR MISS PURDY:

Enclosed is a brief memorial "minute" on the loss to the Club by the death of Mrs. Youmans. I have made it very brief and have also written it exclusively from the Club's point of view. Both considerations seemed to me controlling, since it is intended for publication in the Club book, tho' many times the space of that book would not be adequate for an account of her life, her virtues and her good works.

Sincerely yours,

HORACE E. DEMING.

MISS LUCIA PURDY,
17 East 38th St., City.

MRS. GEORGE HAVEN PUTNAM.

The wife of George Haven Putnam, born Rebecca Kettell Shepard (in Dorchester, Mass., 1844), leaves with us, as she passed from our sight (in July, 1894) the happy vision of a blithe and brilliant woman, lovely in person, lovable in character, and abounding in good works. The fourth daughter among a family of thirteen, with Revolutionary and scholarly blood in the veins, and not too much money in the purse, she was born and bred to a life of self-reliance, self-support and self-sacrifice. Like her sisters, who became or who married teachers and leaders, Mrs. Badger, herself a professor at Antioch, Mrs. Thos. Hill, Mrs. H. B. Hill, stepdaughter to her elder sister, Mrs. Raphael Pumpully, she loved learning and envied it. Living on Meeting House Hill, Dorchester, under the shadow of their Congregational Church, which had followed Channing into Unitarianism, she breathed free air, physically, religiously, politically. Wendell Phillips and William Lloyd Garrison were early friends and heroes to her, and with her girl-friend (at fifteen), Fanny Garrison (now Mrs. Henry Villard), she was so brave, tradition says, as to take up the collection amidst the storm of an anti-slavery meeting. She followed her elder sister to Antioch College, but her student life was interrupted by that call to arms which broke up the college, because most of its male students followed their professors to the war for freedom, and many of their girl-fellows found their way to the hospitals.

Rebecca Shepard came first to New York as a teacher, and naturally became a friend of the not less remarkable sisterhood of George P. Putnam's daughters; she visited with them the recruit camp of the 176th N. Y. at Jamaica, L. I., and saw for the first time that eldest son who had left university life at Göttingen to return home for the war. Like Gabriel and Evangeline, he went to Louisiana, and she, later, to hospital service in Washington, under Mrs. Josephine Shaw Lowell, and there she was on the miserable night in June, 1864, when Early's troops threatened the capital, and all male nurses were ordered to the picket lines, and the women watched the patients the day and the night through—and just in time came the 19th Army Corps, with Adjutant Putnam among them—and passed her by. It was not till after the war was over that, in 1866, they met as lovers, and in 1869 were married in the meeting-house church. Few other girls could have come, on even terms in scholarship and philanthropy, into such a circle as that which included Mary, Edith and the other Putnam daughters, but she held her own, and her Greek and Latin, French and German, served her into those later years when she became the companion in work of her husband—writer, editor and publisher, and the companion in study of her daughters. How much that meant few knew. She was a keen helper in all activity. In political independence from 1879 on, in civil service reform, in the international copyright movement, she was always ready at her desk as reader and amanuensis when he came to his; she was eyes and pen; and thousands of pages of MS. from her quick handwriting are a

part of her monument. But she found time also, not only for her household, but for her own public work—in the Kindergarten Association, for which she caught inspiration from Elizabeth Peabody, cousin of the elder Mr. Putnam, in the Woman's Municipal League, in society and social movements, in the Barnard Club, in the Wednesday Afternoon Club, and not least in this Nineteenth Century Club, whose members use this pen, of an associate and a friend, to record how much her life gave to them and how much her death takes away.

R. R. B.

MRS. DAVID COLDEN MURRAY.

Mary Sherwood Murray was the daughter of Samuel Sherwood, a prominent member of the bar of the State of New York.

She was born in White Street, New York, about 1832, and spent her early youth in that city and at her father's country place in Delhi, Delaware County, whither he had removed early in the century. She spent her early life partly in town and partly in the country, and gained, in both, the foundation of that sterling, healthy constitution which, both physically and mentally, distinguished her through life. While in town she attended the school of Miss McClenochan, and there enthusiastically imbibed all those elements of literature and music which she so highly developed in later life, and during her long summers in the then wild and uncultivated surroundings of her country home she acquired that true love of Nature in its varied phases that continued her life-long delight. She was early married to Mr. David Colden Murray, a descendant of Governor Cadwallader Colden and one of the old New York family of Murray, distinguished for generations in the commercial history of this city. Mr. Murray being highly interested in shipping and especially in the West Indies, almost immediately after her marriage she began a series of travels which, with intermissions during which they were in New York, lasted throughout their lives and during which the mind of Mrs. Murray was continually broadening and her wide range of friends and influence continually increasing.

Brought up in a family in which she was the youngest and the only daughter, very early in life she displayed that strong individuality, brilliant intellectual capacity, and great social tact for which she was so prominent, and developed the peculiarly kindly disposition which was naturally her own. She grew in an atmosphere of pervading healthiness of spirit, which in connection with her strong powers of observation and wide range of experience in travel, gave her an accurate and most interesting knowledge of the places she had visited, the people she had met, and especially of the customs and manners and the tastes of a large part of the society of the world. Her observations on current social and historical events were marked by unusual acuteness, and her appreciation of the habits of thought and action of foreigners betrayed a sympathetic appreciation and breadth of understanding very unusual. Her simple, healthy common sense and shrewd perception, together with the essential kindness of her character, were such that she at times fairly bubbled over with good nature and gentle humor when all about her seemed tending towards discord. And finally, Mrs. Murray was brave ; she was fearless, hopeful and true to herself as to others. During the last days of her fatal illness, one that neither she nor mortal man could control, what the most learned physicians can only call an accident, she was cheerful, kindly, considerate, and hopeful for herself, for her relatives whom she loved dearly, for her friends, no one of whom she ever lost, and for the least of those who were near her.

The objects and aims of the Nineteenth Century Club appealed to

her from the first, and she was a constant and enthusiastic attendant at meetings. She freely gave her time, influence, and resources to its advancement, and it is one of the saddest pages of the history of the Club that the news should be written of her removal from the midst of her many faithful and admiring friends. All who knew her admired her, all who knew her well loved her, and those whose rare privilege it was to know her intimately were devoted to her every thought and deed.

JOHN L. DU FAIS.

MRS. DAVID DUDLEY FIELD.

It is difficult for those who were intimately acquainted with Mrs. Dudley Field to express in measured terms their admiration for her character and their regard for her personality. She was a woman of rare qualities which were displayed both in business activity and in the amenities of social life. She was a woman who felt it a matter of conscience and duty to do well everything that was set before her to do. She had a remarkable business talent ; and for accomplishing a task promptly, accurately and successfully, she was always to be depended upon. This was especially noticeable in her connection with the Nineteenth Century Club. She was always willing to take up any task, however humble, and to give time and thought to it until finished. She served as a vice-president almost from the beginning and was a member of various committees at different times. In all her relations to the Club she was a tower of supporting strength among those who had its welfare most at heart. Her confidence was never failing, her co-operation was never wanting, her practical good sense never absent, in all the years that she remained a member. Apart from the amount and character of the work which she did, her social influence was freely exercised and contributed powerfully to the success of the Club. She was an enthusiastic member, and among people whom she knew she was a magnetic force that drew others along with her in her ways of thinking and made them faithful to those things for which she cared most. She was easily approached, friendly to all

and permeated with the true spirit of love for humanity and for all things that make for human progress.

The members of the Nineteenth Century Club desire to put on record this expression of their appreciation of her life and their sincere sorrow for her unexpected death.

DANIEL GREENLEAF THOMPSON,
Committee.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

NINETEENTH CENTURY CLUB.

The members of this Association, founded by Courtlandt Palmer in the City of New York, in the year 1883, and known as the NINETEENTH CENTURY CLUB, for the purpose of effecting a more complete organization in furtherance of its objects, adopts this

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

SECTION I. The name of this Association shall be the NINETEENTH CENTURY CLUB.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION I. The motto of the NINETEENTH CENTURY CLUB is: "*Prove all things ; hold fast that which is good.*" It will not commit its individual members, nor as a society will it stand committed, to

any special theories or measures in politics, industry, science, art, philosophy or religion ; but, on its own platform of universal liberty of expression, it will, in the discretion of its management, invite prominent thinkers and workers in all fields of human research and activity to present their views to its audiences. On this platform of mental freedom, any person of either sex, radical or conservative, orthodox or heterodox, whose ability and character will warrant, may be invited to speak before this Club, in the hope and belief that, by interchange and comparison of conflicting opinions, a basis of agreement on important questions may sometime be evolved.

ARTICLE III.

OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of the Club shall be a President, twenty-four Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, whose duties shall be those usually appertaining to like officers in clubs and associations, and such as shall be specially assigned by the laws and orders of the Club. The President shall designate the Vice-President who shall fill his place in case of disability.

SEC. 2. These officers shall be elected annually at the stated meeting held in April as hereinafter provided, by ballot, unless otherwise ordered, and shall hold office till their successors are elected and qualify. In case of a vacancy in any office by death, resignation or otherwise, the Governing Committee hereinafter provided for shall

fill the same for the unexpired term ; and in case, upon notice of a meeting to fill such vacancy, no quorum of the Governing Committee shall assemble, or said Committee shall for any cause fail to act, the President may fill such vacancy by appointment for the unexpired term.

SEC. 3. The Secretary and Treasurer shall report to the Governing Committee semi-annually before the stated meetings in April and November, and whenever the Governing Committee may request.

ARTICLE IV.

GOVERNING COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. The officers named in the preceding article and the retiring President, for one year next succeeding his retirement, shall constitute the Governing Committee of the Club for the determination of such matters as shall be assigned to it by this Constitution and by special direction of the Club from time to time.

SEC. 2. The Governing Committee may make such By-Laws for the Club as it may deem necessary, not inconsistent with this Constitution, and alter, amend or repeal the same ; its action, however, to be subject to correction, reversal, or annulment, at any business meeting of the Club when a quorum shall be present. It shall report to the Club at the stated meetings held in April and November, and at any special meeting when notice has been given that such a report will be demanded. With its report shall be included the reports of all officers and committees made to it.

SEC. 3. In case any matter shall arise requiring action in behalf of the Club, respecting which there is no provision in the laws and orders of the Club, the Governing Committee shall provisionally determine the same, its determination to be subject to the action of the Club as aforesaid.

SEC. 4. Three ladies and four gentlemen shall be necessary to form a quorum of the Governing Committee.

SEC. 5. The Governing Committee shall apportion to their different uses in furtherance of the ends of the Club all moneys which shall belong to the Club, and expenditures actually made upon such apportionment shall not be questioned thereafter; but the Governing Committee shall at the stated meeting in November submit, in as much detail as possible, its estimates and apportionments, and receive any direction of the Club respecting the same.

ARTICLE V.

OTHER STANDING COMMITTEES.

SECTION 1. There shall be elected at the stated meeting in April the following Standing Committees :

A Committee on Membership, to consist of ten—five ladies and five gentlemen.

A Lecture Committee, to consist of nine, of whom the President shall designate enough members to constitute, with himself, a

majority. The number of ladies on this Committee shall not be less than four.

A House Committee, to consist of seven—three ladies and four gentlemen.

A Reception Committee, to consist of those ladies who are Vice-Presidents.

An Auditing Committee, to consist of three gentlemen.

SEC. 2. The Committee on Membership shall receive all applications for membership, investigate the same and elect to membership. A majority vote of the entire Committee shall be necessary for and shall secure an election.

SEC. 3. The Lecture Committee shall determine the programme for the discussions at the general receptions of the Club, and shall secure the speakers therefor. The programme for the meetings as arranged must be approved by a majority of the Committee, in making up which majority there must be at least one lady; but, when it shall be impracticable from lack of time to consult the other members of the Committee, the President shall have authority to vary such programme to meet any exigency. The President shall always constitute one of the gentlemen who are members of this Committee and be the Chairman of the Committee. In case a minority of the Committee objects to any speaker or topic agreed upon by a majority, an appeal may be taken by such minority to the Governing Committee, who shall thereupon be called together and determine the question at issue

by a majority vote, a quorum being present. The Lecture Committee shall report to the Governing Committee its general programme for the ensuing season before the stated November meeting.

SEC. 4. The House Committee shall secure rooms for the meetings of the Club, see that the same are properly prepared for that purpose, that proper attendance is secured, that refreshments are provided, if ordered, and have general control of the place of meeting. It shall report to the Governing Committee before the April and November stated meetings and whenever special reports are called for, and shall also report to the President from time to time whenever any departure from the usual arrangements is contemplated. In case permanent rooms are secured for this Club, this Committee shall have power to make House Rules subject to the approval of the Governing Committee.

SEC. 5. The Reception Committee, under such rules as it may adopt, shall receive the members and guests of the Club at the meetings. A majority of the Committee at any of the Committee's meetings shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 6. The Auditing Committee shall examine and audit the Treasurer's accounts and report the result to the Governing Committee immediately prior to each report of the Treasurer to that Committee.

SEC. 7. All committees may make rules for their own government not inconsistent with the laws and orders of the Club.

ARTICLE VI.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. At each November stated meeting of the Club, a Committee of three gentlemen and two ladies shall be appointed by the President (and their appointment announced and its ratification voted upon by the Club) to present at the next April stated meeting a list of nominees for the offices and Standing Committees to be then filled. The list shall be delivered to the Secretary, who shall send the same to each member with the notice of such meeting. The presentation of such a list, however, shall not preclude other nominations. No officer of the Club shall be a member of such nominating Committee.

ARTICLE VII.

MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. The active membership of the Club shall consist of two hundred ; but the Club may at any time, by vote, increase its membership, notice of the proposed increase being given with the notice of the meeting at which the proposal is to be considered. In the active membership the number of ladies shall not exceed the number of gentlemen, or the converse, by more than 10 per cent. of the whole membership.

SEC. 2. Candidates for membership must be proposed and seconded by two members, in their own handwriting, by letters

addressed to the Secretary, and no candidate for membership shall be voted upon by the Membership Committee whose name has not been sent to the members of the Club at least one month before such vote. Whenever a vacancy shall exist, it may be filled by the Committee from those candidates whose names have thus been submitted. In counting the month's notice as aforesaid, the months of July and August shall be excluded. Whenever an election is made, it shall be reported to the Secretary, who shall announce it by notice to each member of the Club after acceptance of the same.

SEC. 3. The Governing Committee may at any time suspend a member for what it may deem good and sufficient cause, such suspension not, however, to continue longer than till the next stated meeting, when the Club shall determine finally what further proceedings shall be taken in the case. But no member shall be expelled without notice that a motion to that effect will be brought forward at a specified meeting. If the Governing Committee recommend his expulsion, it shall so notify him, and if an individual member intends to make such a motion he shall inform the Secretary, who shall notify the member against whom it is directed not later than the sending of the notice for that meeting. A two-thirds vote of those present shall be necessary for expulsion.

SEC. 4. Any member who has at the time of the April stated meeting failed to pay his dues for the season past shall *ipso facto* be and remain suspended from membership until such dues are paid ; and,

in case the default continues till the next November stated meeting, such person in default shall cease to be a member of the Club.

SEC. 5. Resignations from membership shall take effect on notice thereof sent to the Secretary and payment of all existing dues.

SEC. 6. The Governing Committee may at any time elect as an Honorary Member any person not residing in the City of New York, or within ten miles thereof. Such Honorary Members shall be exempt from the payment of dues, and shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the Club, but shall have no vote at any meeting, nor be eligible to any office.

ARTICLE VIII.

MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. There shall be two stated business meetings annually. One on some day in November before the 15th, to be designated by the President at least one week in advance ; the other to be similarly designated and held in *April after* the 15th. These meetings shall be for general business.

SEC. 2. Special business meetings may be called at any time by the Governing Committee when, in its judgment, the interests of the Club so require ; and it shall be the duty of the President to call a special meeting at any time when requested to do so by at least ten members. But at no special meeting shall any business be transacted save that specified in the notice calling for the same.

SEC. 3. At all business meetings thirty active members of the Club shall constitute a quorum. In case of the failure of a quorum at any special meeting duly noticed, the Governing Committee may determine the matter to consider which the meeting was called. And at all meetings of the Club and its committees, a majority vote shall determine all questions except as otherwise provided in this Constitution.

SEC. 4. Receptions and meetings for addresses and discussions shall be held at such times as the Governing Committee, or, in the absence of direction from them, at such times as the President shall appoint. There shall be at least six General Receptions each winter season for the discussion of topics of general interest. The Governing Committee shall regulate the invitation and admission of guests, subject, however, to the instructions of the Club. No business shall be transacted at such meetings.

ARTICLE IX.

DUES.

SECTION 1. The annual dues for each year shall be fixed at the November stated meeting, after recommendation by the Governing Committee in its report. They shall be payable the first of December in each year.

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ARTICLE X.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. The following shall be the order of business at the November stated meeting :

1. Reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting.
2. Reading of the report of the Governing Committee, including :
 1. Secretary's Report.
 2. Treasurer's Report.
 3. Lecture Committee's Report.
 4. House Committee's Report.
 5. Auditing Committee's Report.
3. Consideration of matters mentioned in Governing Committee's Report.
4. Miscellaneous Business.
5. Report of Membership Committee.
6. Appointing and approval of a Nominating Committee.
7. Adjournment.

SEC. 2. The following shall be the order of business at the April stated meeting :

1. Reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting.
2. Report of the Governing Committee, including reports of the Secretary, Treasurer, Auditing Committee and House Committee.
3. Consideration of matters mentioned in Governing Committee's Report.

4. Miscellaneous Business.
5. Report of Membership Committee.
6. Report of Nominating Committee, Election of Officers and Committees.
7. Adjournment.

ARTICLE XI.

AMENDMENTS.

SECTION 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those present at any business meeting of the Club, but notice of the proposed amendment must first have been sent to each member, with notice of the meeting at which it is to be acted upon.

Adopted May 22, 1888, and subsequently amended.

LECTURES AND DISCUSSIONS.

I. JANUARY 9TH, - - MR. COURTLANDT PALMER.
 "THE NINETEENTH CLUB—ITS SCOPE AND OBJECT."

2. JANUARY 23D, - - - MRS. JULIA WARD HOWE.
"REMINISCENCES OF EMERSON AND LONGFELLOW."

REV. M. K. SCHERMERHORN, DR. L. BARALT,
COL. FREDERICK A. CONKLING. MR. T. B. WAKEMAN.

3. FEBRUARY 7TH, - - - - MR. HENRY GEORGE.
"IRELAND AND THE LAND QUESTION."

MR. CHAS. MORAN, MR. BRONSON MURRAY,
MR. LOUIS F. POST, MR. F. B. THURBER,

4. FEBRUARY 20TH, - - - REV. DR. J. H. RYLANCE.
"FREE THOUGHT."

REV. DR. J. P. NEWMAN, PROF. FELIX ADLER,
MR. DWIGHT H. OLNSTEAD, REV. J. B. WASSON,
REV. M. K. SCHERMERHORN.

5. MARCH 6TH, - - - PROF. WILLIAM G. SUMNER.
 "SOCIOLOGY."

Discussion by

PROF. H. H. BOYESEN, - - - PROF. ISAAC L. RICE.

MR. T. B. WAKEMAN.

6. MARCH 20TH, - - - MR. JULIAN HAWTHORNE.
 "THE NOVEL."

Discussion by

MR. BRANDER MATTHEWS, - - - MR. W. H. BISHOP,

REV. CHARLES H. EATON, - - - DR. L. BARALT,

7. APRIL 3D, - - - - - MR. JAMES PARTON.
 "THE COMING MAN'S RELIGION."

Discussion by

REV. MR. SAMPSON, - - - - - REV. MR. MALLORY,

MR. T. B. WAKEMAN.

8. APRIL 17TH, - - - DR. OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES
 "EMERSON."

Discussion by

MR. PARKE GODWIN, - - - - - HON. JOHN BIGELOW,

HON. CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW.

SECOND SEASON.—1883-1884.

- I. DECEMBER 5TH, - - - - - MR. GEO. W. CABLE.
 "THE IDEAL LIFE OF THE MODERN FICTIONIST."

Discussion by

MR. J. HERBERT MORSE, - - - - - DR. L. BARALT,

REV. JOHN W. CHADWICK.

2. DECEMBER 18TH, - - - REV. DR. J. P. NEWMAN.
 "BUDDHISM."
Discussion by
 REV. M. K. SCHERMERHORN, REV. W. A. HAMMOND,
 RABBI G. GOTTHEIL, COL. F. A. CONKLING.
3. JANUARY 8TH, - - - HON. GEORGE C. BARRETT.
 "THE AMERICAN DRAMA."
Discussion by
 PROF. H. H. BOYESEN, REV. J. B. WASSON,
 MR. CAZAURAN, HON. CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW.
4. JANUARY 22D, - - - DR. CHARLES WALDSTEIN.
 "THE POSITION OF TEMPERAMENT IN ARTISTIC CREATIVENESS."
Discussion by
 MR. F. HOPKINSON SMITH, MR. F. KORBAY,
 MR. LOUIS VON ELTZ, MR. W. J. STILLMAN.
5. FEBRUARY 5TH, - - - MONSEIGNEUR CAPEL.
 "THE CATHOLIC CHURCH."
Discussion by
 REV. DR. PULLMAN, RABBI G. GOTTHEIL,
 MR. T. B. WAKEMAN.
6. FEBRUARY 20TH, - - - MR. PARKE GODWIN.
 "THE OBJECTS AND LIMITS OF SCIENCE."
Discussion by
 MR. ANDREW CARNEGIE, REV. WILLIAM LLOYD,
 MR. T. B. WAKEMAN.

7. MARCH 4TH, - - DR. WILLIAM A. HAMMOND.
 "THE USE AND ABUSE OF THE BRAIN."
Discussion by
 MR. WM. M. IVINS, DR. E. C. SPITZKA,
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8. MARCH 9TH, - - - DR. LEOPOLD DAMROSCH.
 "MUSIC IN AMERICA."
Discussion by
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9. APRIL 1ST, - - - MR. T. B. WAKEMAN.
 "GOETHE'S FAUST."
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10. APRIL 15TH, - - . - HON. NOAH DAVIS.
 "MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE."
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 "INFLUENCE OF CHRISTIANITY ON WOMEN."
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 REV. ANNA OLIVER, REV. PHOEBE H. HANNAFORD.
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12. MAY 13TH, - - - - MR. JOHN SWINTON.
 "SOCIAL CONTRASTS."
Discussion by
 HON. CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW, MR. F. B. THURBER.

THIRD SEASON.—1884-1885.

1. NOVEMBER 11TH, - - HON. THEODORE ROOSEVELT.
 "SPIRIT OF REPUBLICANISM."

Discussion by

MR. F. R. COUDERT, MR. H. DEMING,
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2. DECEMBER 2D, - - - HON. T. W. HIGGINSON.
 "ARISTOCRACY OF THE DOLLAR."

Discussion by

MR. ANDREW CARNEGIE, REV. WM. LLOYD,
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3. DECEMBER 22D, - - - MR. JULIAN HAWTHORNE.
 "ENGLISH AND AMERICAN SOCIETY."

Discussion by

HON. CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW, HON. GEO. C. BARRETT,
 MR. FELIX MOSCHELES.

4. JANUARY 13TH, - - - HON. ABRAM WAKEMAN.
 "THE SOLID SOUTH."

Discussion by

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5. FEBRUARY 3D, - MR. GEO. EDGAR MONTGOMERY.
 "POETRY AND SCIENCE."

Discussion by

MR. FELIX ADLER, MR. T. B. WAKEMAN.

6. FEBRUARY 24TH, - PRESIDENT CHARLES W. ELIOT.
 "IN A UNIVERSITY THE STUDENT MUST CHOOSE HIS
 STUDIES AND GOVERN HIMSELF."
Discussion by
 REV. DR. JAMES MCCOSH.
7. MARCH 17TH, - - REV. DR. J. D. BEUGLESS.
 "CREMATION."
Discussion by
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8. APRIL 7TH, - MR. DANIEL GREENLEAF THOMPSON.
 "MORAL EVIL; ITS CAUSES AND CURE."
Discussion by
 REV. THEO. C. WILLIAMS, REV. DR. EDWARD MCGLYNN.

FOURTH SEASON.—1885-1886.

1. NOVEMBER 17TH, - MR. FRANCIS B. THURBER
 "OUR COUNTRY."
Discussion by
 MR. S. T. SHEVITCH, MR. FREDERIC R. COUDERT,
 MR. THEODORE ROOSEVELT.
2. DECEMBER 9TH, - - - REV. H. R. HAWEIS.
 "WAGNER."
Discussion by
 COL. J. H. MAPLESON.

3. DECEMBER 29TH, - - - PROF. THOMAS DAVIDSON.
 "THE MISSING SOCIAL LINK."

Discussion by

HON. E. P. WHEELER, MR. HENRY GEORGE.
 DR. W. A. HAMMOND.

4. JANUARY 19TH, - - - REV. WILLIAM LLOYD,
 "THE FAILURE OF AGNOSTICISM."

Discussion by

MR. FELIX ADLER, REV. DR. EDWARD MCGLYNN.

5. FEBRUARY 3D, - - - PRESIDENT CHARLES W. ELIOT.
 "THE PLACE RELIGION SHOULD HAVE IN A COLLEGE."

Discussion by

REV. DR. JAS. MCCOSH.

6. MARCH 3D, - - - - - PROF. JOHN FISKE.
 "THE DESTINY OF MAN IN RELATION TO THE
 IDEA OF GOD."

Discussion by

HON. CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW, MR. T. B. WAKEMAN.

7. MARCH 23D, - - - - - GEN. HORACE PORTER.
 "COMPARATIVE USEFULNESS OF MAN AND WOMAN."

Discussion by

MISS KATE FIELD, MRS. M. D. M. PUTNAM JACOBI,
 MR. MONCURE D. CONWAY.

8. APRIL 13TH, - - - REV. DR. CHARLES H. EATON,
 "THE PRESS."
Discussion by
 MR. JOHN FOORD, MR. STARR HOYT NICHOLS,
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9. MAY 4TH, - - - MR. F. HOPKINSON SMITH.
 "REALISM AND IMPRESSIONISM IN ART."
Discussion by
 MR. J. W. ALEXANDER, MR. CLARENCE COOK.
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10. MAY 25TH, - - - REV. DR. NOAH PORTER.
 "EVOLUTION."
Discussion by
 PROF. H. NEWELL MARTIN, PROF. EDWARD S. MORSE.

FIFTH SEASON.—1886-1887.

1. NOVEMBER 4TH, - - - MR. WILLIAM M. IVINS.
 "MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT."
Discussion by
 HON. CARTER H. HARRISON, HON. ANDREW D. WHITE.
3. DECEMBER 18TH, - - - MR. JUSTIN MCCARTHY, M. P.
 "THE ENGLISH PARLIAMENT."
Discussion by
 MR. SIMON STERNE, - PROF. WOODROW WILSON.

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 "GEORGE ELIOT."
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 MR. JULIAN HAWTHORNE, MRS. CHARLES ADAMS COOMBS.
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 "BRAIN-FORCING IN THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN."
 Discussion by
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 "PROGRESS FROM POVERTY."
 Discussion by
 PROF. EDMUND J. JAMES.
6. MARCH 8TH, - - - RABBI G. GOTTHEIL.
 "WOMAN'S RIGHTS AND WOMAN'S WRONGS."
 Discussion by
 MRS. JULIA WARD HOWE, HON. ELIHU ROOT.
7. MARCH 29TH, - - - MOHINI M. CHATTERJI.
 "INDIAN THEOSOPHY: ITS RELATIONS TO WESTERN CIVILIZATION."
 Discussion by
 MR. FREDERICK W. HINRICHS, MR. WILLIAM Q. JUDGE.
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 "THE POSITION OF LITERATURE IN A REPUBLIC."
 Discussion by
 MR. GEORGE PARSONS LATHROP, MR. BRANDER MATTHEWS.

9. MAY 10TH, - - - HON. GEORGE HOADLEY.
 "THE BIBLE IN SCHOOLS."

Discussion by

REV. DR. EDWARD MCGLYNN, REV. DR. W. S. RAINSFORD.

SIXTH SEASON.—1887-1888.

1. NOVEMBER 18TH, - - - MR. COURTLANDT PALMER.
 "THE FUTURE OF THE NINETEENTH CENTURY CLUB."

Discussion by

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 "TRIUMPHANT DEMOCRACY."

Discussion by

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 "THE IDEA OF PROPERTY IN LITERATURE."

Discussion by

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 "THE DRAMATIC OUTLOOK IN AMERICA."

Discussion by

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5. FEBRUARY 7TH, - - - Mr. ERNEST RHYS.
 "THE NEW POETRY."

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 "SECTARIANISM."

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 "FREE TRADE AND PROTECTION."

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 "THE NON-REPRESENTATIVE CHARACTER OF OUR
 LEGISLATURES."

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10. MAY 8TH, - - COL. ROBERT G. INGERSOLL.
 "THE LIMITS OF TOLERATION."
Discussion by
 MR. FREDERIC R. COUDERT, HON. STEWART L. WOODFORD.

SEVENTH SEASON.—1888-1889.

1888.

1. NOVEMBER 21ST,
 "THE NINETEENTH CENTURY CLUB: ITS FOUNDER AND
 ITS FUTURE."
Memorial Meeting in Honor of COURTLANDT PALMER.
Addresses by the PRESIDENT, D. G. THOMPSON.
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2. DECEMBER 12TH, - - DR. DANIEL G. BRINTON.
 "THE AIMS AND TRAITS OF A WORLD LANGUAGE."
Discussion by
 PROF. CHARLES E. SPRAGUE, PROF. ALEX. MELVILLE BELL.
- 1889.
3. JANUARY 9TH. - - MR. WILLIAM M. IVINS.
 "OUR RULER: THE POLITICIAN."
Discussion by
 HON. GEORGE HOADLEY, HON. ALFRED B. CONKLING.

4. JANUARY 30TH, - - MISS ANNA C. BRACKETT.
 "OUR COMMON SCHOOLS, AND SCHOOLS."

Discussion by

MR. EDWARD H. BOYER, MR. GEORGE CARY EGGLESTON.

5. FEBRUARY 20TH, - - PROF. RICHMOND M. SMITH.
 "THE NECESSITY OF RESTRICTING IMMIGRATION,"

Discussion by

MR. VAN BUREN DENSLOW, HON. CHARLES N. TAINTOR.

6. MARCH 27TH, - - - MR. B. F. UNDERWOOD.
 "THE RELATION OF ETHICS AND RELIGION."

Discussion by

REV. A. J. CANFIELD, D. D., REV. RICHARD HARLAN.

7. APRIL 5TH, - - M. CONSTANT COQUELIN.
 "MOLIÈRE ET SHAKSPÈRE."

Discussion by

GEN. HORACE PORTER, HON. FREDERIC R. COUDERT.

8. MAY 8TH, - - - MR. MONCURE D. CONWAY.
 "PRESIDENCY IN A REPUBLIC."

Discussion by

MR. SIMON STERNE, PROF. JOHNSON T. PLATT.

EIGHTH SEASON—1889-1890.

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1. NOVEMBER 22D, - - - REV. HENRY VAN DYKE, D.D.
 "THE PULPIT AND POLITICS."

Discussion by

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 HON. JOHN A. TAYLOR.

2. DECEMBER 13TH, - - - MR. BRONSON HOWARD.
 "THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PLAY."

Discussion by

MR. DION BOUCICAULT, MR. BRANDER MATTHEWS.

1890.

3. JANUARY 10TH, - - - PROF. H. H. BOYESEN
 "RUSSIAN NOVELISTS AND NIHILISTS."

Discussion by

MR. HAMILTON W. MABIE, PROF. FRANCIS H. STODDARD.

4. JANUARY 31ST, - - - PROF. GOLDWIN SMITH.
 "CANADA, GREAT BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES."

Discussion by

HON. GEORGE L. RIVES, HON. ERASTUS WIMAN.

5. FEBRUARY 21ST, - - - MR. THOMAS NELSON PAGE.
 "THE SOUTH AS A FIELD FOR AUTHORSHIP, AND THE
 NEW SOUTHERN LITERATURE."

Discussion by

MR. RICHARD WATSON GILDER, MRS. MAUD HOWE ELLIOT.

6. MARCH 18TH, - - - DR. AMELIA B. EDWARDS.
 "ROMANTIC FICTION OF THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS."
Discussion by
 DR. DANIEL G. BRINTON, PROF. T. F. CRANE.
7. APRIL 8TH, - - - - - HON. SETH LOW.
 "CHARITY AND ITS APPLICATION."
Discussion by
 DR. MARY PUTNAM JACOBI, MR. HENRY POWERS,
 MR. ROBERT W. DEFORREST.
8. APRIL 25TH, - - - HON. OSCAR S. STRAUS.
 "THE EASTERN QUESTION."
Discussion by
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NINTH SEASON.—1890-1891.

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1. NOVEMBER 20TH, MR. DANIEL GREENLEAF THOMPSON.
 "AMERICAN MORALS AND MANNERS."
Discussion by
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2. DECEMBER 18TH, - HON. THEODORE ROOSEVELT.
 "AMERICANISM IN POLITICS."
Discussion by
 HON. ST. CLAIR MCKELWAY, MR. SLASON THOMPSON.

1891.

3. JANUARY 15TH, COL. THOMAS WENTWORTH HIGGINSON.
 "AMERICANISM IN LITERATURE; OR, THE NEW WORLD AND
 THE NEW BOOK."

Discussion by

DR. EDWARD EGGLESTON, MR. H. C. BUNNER.

4. FEBRUARY 17TH, - - - MR. SIMON STERNE.
 "MODERN FINANCE; ITS EVOLUTION AND ITS VAGARIES."

Discussion by

MR. JOHN BRISBEN WALKER, MR. STARR H. NICHOLS.

5. MARCH 17TH, - - - COL. CHARLES H. JONES.
 "THE SOUTH AND ITS PROBLEMS."

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MR. GEORGE CARY EGGLESTON, HON. JOHN A. TAYLOR.

6. APRIL 14TH, - - - HON. HOWARD MCQUERY.
 "THE RELIGIOUS PROBLEM."

Discussion by

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TENTH SEASON.—1891—1892.

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1. NOVEMBER 17TH, - - - HON. ST. CLAIR MCKELWAY.
 "JOURNALISM AND THE RIGHT OF PRIVACY."

Discussion by

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2. DECEMBER 15TH, - - - PROF. JOHN B. MOORE.
 "ETHICS OF MOB VIOLENCE."

Discussion by

REV. R. HEBER NEWTON, MR. STARR H. NICHOLS.

1892.

3. JANUARY 12TH, - - - MR. ELLIOTT F. SHEPARD.
 "THE AMERICAN SABBATH."

Discussion by

REV. A. H. LEWIS, D.D., MR. LEWIS G. JANES.

4. FEBRUARY 16TH, - - - MR. R. L. GARNER.
 "SPEECH OF THE LOWER ANIMALS."

Discussion by

MR. DANIEL G. BRINTON, PROFESSOR E. D. PERRY.

5. MARCH 15TH, - - - MR. WALTER CRANE.
 MODERN LIFE AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ARTISTIC SENSE."

Discussion by

MR. W. A. COFFIN, MR. EDWARD E. SIMMONS.

ELEVENTH SEASON.—1892–1893.

1892.

1. NOVEMBER 15TH.
 "PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGNS AS AN EDUCATIONAL INFLUENCE."
 HON. WILLIAM L. WILSON, PROF. JAMES SCHOUER.

2. DECEMBER 13TH.
 "THE SIGNIFICANCE OF NEW ENGLAND'S TRANSFORMATION."
 PRES. WILLIAM DEWITT HYDE, HON. EDWARD ATKINSON.
 1893.
3. JANUARY 12TH.
 "THE FUTURE OF THE COLORED RACE IN THE SOUTH."
 REV. JOSEPH C. PRICE.
4. FEBRUARY 16TH.
 "THE HIGHER EDUCATION FOR WOMEN."
 MISS MARY A. JORDAN, MISS JANE ADDAMS,
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5. MARCH 14TH.
 "THE RUSSIAN EMPIRE; A MENACE TO CIVILIZATION."
 COL. JOHN B. WEBER, MISS ISABEL F. HAPGOOD.
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 "COMPULSORY ARBITRATION AS A REMEDY FOR LABOR DISPUTES
 BETWEEN LARGE EMPLOYERS OF LABOR AND THEIR EM-
 PLOYEES."
 HON. CARROLL D. WRIGHT, REV. H. L. WAYLAND.

TWELFTH SEASON.—1893-1894.

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 "PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION AS A REMEDY FOR
 PRESENT POLITICAL EVILS."
 HON. WILLIAM J. GAYNOR, HON. WILLIAM DUDLEY FOULKE.

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"ARE THE IMMENSE AGGREGATIONS OF CAPITAL WHICH
CHARACTERIZE MODERN INDUSTRY DANGEROUS TO PUBLIC INTERESTS."

MR. S. C. T. DODD,

PROF. ARTHUR HADLEY.

1894.

3. JANUARY 16TH.

"CONDITIONS OF LABOR IN AMERICA IN THE TIMES OF
THE COLONIES AND NOW."

MR. EDWARD ATKINSON,

DR. EDWARD EGGLESTON.

4. FEBRUARY 13TH.

"HOW SHOULD THE MORAL AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
OF THE CHILD BE PROVIDED FOR UNDER
OUR AMERICAN SYSTEM?"

DR. LYMAN ABBOTT,

REV. THOMAS MCMILLAN.

5. MARCH 13TH.

"THE REALISTIC AND ROMANTIC SCHOOLS IN LITERATURE."

MR. HAMLIN GARLAND,

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MR. HAMILTON W. MABIE.

6. APRIL 17TH.

"THE MESSAGE OF ASIA TO AMERICA."

KINZA RIUGE MINAMOTO NO YOSHIMASA HIRAI,

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THIRTEENTH SEASON.—1894-1895.

1. NOVEMBER 13TH.

“ HAVE CHRISTIAN MISSIONS TO INDIA FAILED ? ”

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“ HOW MAY WE BEST UTILIZE THE CIVIC OPPORTUNITY
THAT WE HAVE WON ? ”

MR. E. L. GODKIN, HON. GEO. C. BARRETT,
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3. JANUARY 16TH.

“ THE CITY'S SCHOOLS. ”

PROF. NICHOLAS MURRAY BUTLER, MR. STEPHEN H. OLIN,
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“ THE WEALTH OF NEW YORK. ”

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5. MARCH 12TH.

“ HOW TO MAKE NEW YORK A BEAUTIFUL CITY. ”

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“ ARE WE DEGENERATING ? ”

DR. CHARLES L. DANA, MR. RICHARD BURTON.

FOURTEENTH SEASON.—1895—1896.

1. NOVEMBER 13TH, - - - MR. HALL CAINE.
 "THE MORAL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE NOVEL AND THE DRAMA."

Discussion by

MR. BRANDER MATTHEWS. MR. JOHN KENDRICK BANGS.

2. DECEMBER 11TH, 1895.
 "HOW FAR CAN MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT BE DIVORCED
 FROM NATIONAL PARTY LINES?"

HON. JAMES C. CARTER, HON. FREDERIC R. COUDERT,
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3. JANUARY 15TH.
 "THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ARMENIAN MASSACRES."
 MR. F. HOPKINSON SMITH, REV. DR. HENRY L. WAYLAND.

4. FEBRUARY 20TH.
 "THE CHURCH AS A FACTOR IN CIVILIZATION."
 MR. BENJ. F. UNDERWOOD, REV. GEORGE T. PURVES, D.D.,
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5. MARCH 12TH.
 "HAS THE NEWSPAPER LOST ITS MORAL SENSE?"
 MR. TALCOTT WILLIAMS, REV. ROBERT S. MACARTHUR, D.D.,
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6. APRIL 16TH.
 "THE FUTURE OF MAN IN THE LIGHT OF EVOLUTION."
 PROF. JOHN FISKE, PROF. GEORGE W. GUNTON.

FIFTEENTH SEASON.

1896.

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 "IS DOMESTIC LIFE IN AMERICAN CITIES DISAPPEARING; AND
 IF SO, WHY?"
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2. DECEMBER 10TH, - MR. HERBERT BEERBOHM TREE.
 "HAMLET FROM AN ACTOR'S PROMPT BOOK."
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